



**Representative Louise M. Slaughter**  
**Chairwoman, House Committee on Rules**  
**Representing New York's 28<sup>th</sup> District**

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**Rep. Slaughter To Be Sworn In For 12<sup>th</sup> Term In Congress**

**Washington, DC** - Congresswoman Louise M. Slaughter (D-NY-28), Chairwoman of the House Committee on Rules, will be sworn into the 111<sup>th</sup> Congress this afternoon by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi. The start of this 111<sup>th</sup> Congress marks Congresswoman Slaughter's 12<sup>th</sup> term representing the 28<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of New York.

**"Representing the great people of Western New York has been the highest honor and privilege of my life,"** said Congresswoman Slaughter. **"I am very proud to continue working in Congress to meet the needs of the families, workers, and small businesses in my district."**

**"We have much to do,"** Slaughter continued. **"Our nation and Western New York especially, face incredible economic challenges. My number one priority is to strengthen our economy and put America back to work. I am ready to hit the ground running to help President Obama pass his plan to create and save three million jobs, rebuild our infrastructure, make health care more affordable, and invest in a cleaner and more efficient energy future."**

## BACKGROUND ON CONGRESSWOMAN SLAUGHTER:

The start of this 111<sup>th</sup> Congress marks Congresswoman Slaughter's 12<sup>th</sup> term representing the 28<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of New York. Her diverse district includes the cities of Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls. Congresswoman Slaughter is deeply concerned by the job losses suffered in Western New York and her constituents know her to be a tireless fighter for job creation and economic development in the region.

In 2006, Congresswoman Slaughter achieved a significant level of leadership as the Chairwoman of the influential House Committee on Rules, making her the first woman in history to hold this position. Congresswoman Slaughter will continue to chair the Rules Committee during the 111<sup>th</sup> Congress.

A member of the House Democratic Leadership, Congresswoman Slaughter serves on the prestigious Democratic Steering & Policy Committee. Additionally, she is the Democratic Chair of two very prominent congressional caucuses: the Congressional Arts Caucus and the Bipartisan Congressional Pro-Choice Caucus.

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